

City of Miami Beach – Special City Commission Meeting
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1700 Convention Center Drive
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Vice-Mayor Matti Herrera Bower
Commissioner Simon Cruz
Commissioner Luis R. Garcia, Jr.
Commissioner Saul Gross
Commissioner Jose Smith
Commissioner Richard L. Steinberg

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Meeting called to order at 5:21:06 p.m.

Times based on the digital recording in the City Clerk's Conference Room.

Supplemental Materials: R5A (Ordinance), R5B (Ordinance and Memo)

REGULAR AGENDA**R5 - Ordinances****5:21:42 p.m.****Supplemental Materials:** (Ordinance)

R5A An Ordinance Amending Chapter 50 Of The City Of Miami Beach Code By Amending Section 50-3 Thereof Entitled "Plans Examination, Inspections, Permits", And By Amending Appendix A Entitled "Fee Schedule", By Amending Sections 50-3(b) Through 50-3(n) Entitled "Chapter 50: Fire Prevention And Protection", Providing For An Increase In Permit And Inspection Fees For Fire Permits And For Other Fire Department Activities; Providing For Repealer, Severability, Codification, And An Effective Date. (Page) **First Reading.**
(Fire Department)

ACTION: Ordinance approved on First Reading with the commitment that if any fees need to be modified it will be done at second reading. Motion made by Commissioner Smith; seconded by Commissioner Cruz; Ballot vote 6-1: Opposed: Commissioner Garcia; Second Reading and Public Hearing scheduled for September 18, 2003. R. Parcher to notice. Liliam Hatfield to place on the Commission Agenda. Chief Jordan to handle.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that this is one of a series of fees that have been discussed. The City Commission, on first reading in July, agreed to increase the building permit fees by 15% to get closer to recovering the costs of the services being provided and the plans analysts' fees associated with developers who have their plans reviewed by the Fire Department, to make sure that they meet the Fire Code requirements. The industry was informed of both the building and the fire fee increases and was advised as to some of the online permitting enhancements that are being contemplated. This meeting with the construction industry took place yesterday and all indications are that the meeting went well. He also requested that this ordinance be approved on first reading and at the second reading of the budget, September 18, to bring both this ordinance and the building fee ordinance to the Commission for approval.

Commissioner Cruz asked if this is the fee increase that Mr. Stu Blumberg has been asking about.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that the fee that Mr. Blumberg is concerned about is the Occupational License fee that was passed in July. He explained that Mr. Blumberg raised an issue that he was not aware of, and that is that apparently there is a hotel fee as part of the Occupational License fees that was already increased as part of the package. The Administration will be reviewing with Mr. Blumberg.

Commissioner Cruz stated that Mr. Blumberg indicated to him that it was agreed that the City would seek their input before any increases and Mr. Blumberg made the statement that they were not considered when this fee was raised. In the spirit of this agreement, there should be some interaction and/or discussion between the Hotel Association and the City.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that he was not aware that this fee was part of the overall Occupational License fee and he would be happy to revisit that element of the Occupational License fee at the meeting of September 18, if that is the desire of the Commission.

Mayor Dermer suggested that this ordinance be approved on first reading, the Administration to meet with Mr. Blumberg, and if modifications are necessary, make the modifications on second reading.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith that if any fees need to be modified, it will be done at second reading; seconded by Commissioner Cruz; Voice vote: 7-0.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, for clarification, stated that when all of the fees were presented to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee, the recommendation was to increase the building inspection fees (plans review). At the same time the fire plans inspection fees were also reviewed. The first reading of the building plans review fee increase was done. This is the first reading of the fire component.

Commissioner Cruz asked how the City is increasing the efficiency and timeliness of building inspections.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that the first step in increasing efficiency was to hire a professional Fire Marshal who is a trained life safety engineer and P.E. He explained that the Fire Marshal has already made some suggestions on standards, life safety code requirements, and those will be the model for how inspections and plans review will be handled in the future. In addition, staffing is being reviewed and one suggestion is that the City perhaps can do better with one Life Safety Engineer instead of a fifth plans analysts. He also stated that the City's Information Technology Department is looking at a service provider to go into an on-line permitting system that could allow for plans to be reviewed online rather than having to come in and pull a permit. A permit will have to be reviewed and a master permit will be necessary, but once the master permit is issued, electronically sub-permits which do not require additional reviews will be done online. The Administration is working to make the process efficient.

Commissioner Gross explained that fire plans could not be reviewed over the internet because there is further review necessary. He stated that he is aware of negative feedback from the business community on the plans review for fire. The reason for this is that now the Fire Department is requiring separate engineer drawing no matter how small the job. He stated that he spoke with the new Fire Marshal about his concerns and she said that she will review. He stated that he agrees with Commissioner Cruz that the City needs to streamline the service.

5:40:34 p.m.

Supplemental Materials: (Ordinance and Memo)

R5B An Ordinance Amending Chapter 110 Of The City Of Miami Beach City Code Entitled "Utilities," Amending Article IV Entitled "Fees, Charges, Rates And Billing Procedures, Division 2. Rates, Fees and Charges," To Increase The Water Supply Service Charge Imposed By The City; Adjusting The Schedule Of Rates For The Minimum Monthly Water Service Charge; And Increasing The Sanitary Sewer Service Charge Imposed By The City; Providing For Codification, Repealer, Severability, And An Effective Date. **First Reading.**
(Public Works)

ACTION: Resolution 2003-25341 adopted and to be submitted to Miami-Dade County Commission opposing the increase, and suggesting that Miami-Dade County look into privatizing the water and sewer process.

Ordinance approved on First Reading as amended. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Commissioner Smith; Ballot vote: 7-0; Second Reading and Public Hearing scheduled for September 18, 2003. R. Parcher to notice. Liliam Hatfield to place on the Commission Agenda. Fred Beckmann to handle. R. Parcher to transmit letter to Miami-Dade County.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated the City buys the water from Miami-Dade County and that Miami-Dade County is planning to increase the price of the wholesale water that is sold to the City of Miami Beach. This ordinance will amend the fees to pass the cost of that increase to the residents of Miami Beach.

Motion made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Gross. Discussion continued.

Vice-Mayor Bower stated that the City needs to be represented when Miami-Dade County increases this fee.

She asked for the proper way to protest to the County that the City does not agree with this increase.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that this is a proposed increase for the County. It passed on the County's first reading with a second reading scheduled for September 17th.

Commissioner Smith asked if this ordinance can be passed contingent upon the County adopting the increase.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that he would not bring the ordinance unless the County approves theirs.

Commissioner Garcia withdrew his motion.

Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg to approve the ordinance on first reading with a resolution to be submitted to Miami-Dade County Commission opposing the increase; seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Commissioner Gross stated that quite a few municipalities are privatizing their water and sewer process. He explained that City could contract with a private vendor who would then be responsible for maintaining the water lines and providing the services.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that this would be happy to explore via an RFLI. He stated that in his experience the profit to the private sector is in the processing of the water. **Fred Beckmann to handle.**

Commissioner Gross stated that the City could recommend that Miami-Dade County looks into privatizing this process.

Commissioner Steinberg accepted the amendment to include in the resolution that Miami-Dade County look into privatizing the water and sewer process.

R7 - Resolutions**5:53:16 p.m.**

R7A1 A Resolution Adopting :1) The Tentative Ad Valorem Millage Of 7.299 Mills For General Operating Purposes, Which Is Eleven And Eight Tenths (11.8%) Greater Than The "Rolled-Back"Rate Of 6.527 Mills; And 2) The Debt Service Millage Rate Of 0.874 Mills; Further Setting The Second Public Hearing To Consider The Millage Rate For Fiscal Year 2003/04, On Thursday, September 18, 2003 At 5:01 P.M. **5:01 P.M. First Reading, Public Hearing.**

(Finance Department)

ACTION: Title of the Resolution read into the record. Item heard in conjunction with item R7A2. Public Hearing held. Resolution No. 2003-25311 adopted on First Reading. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Commissioner Smith; Voice vote: 7-0. Second Reading and second Public Hearing scheduled for September 18, 2003. Jose Cruz to notice. Liliam Hatfield to place on the Commission Agenda.

For the discussion, see item R7A2.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald

5:58:57 p.m.

R7A2 A Resolution Of The Mayor And City Commission Of The City Of Miami Beach, Florida, Adopting Tentative Budgets For The General, Enterprise, And Internal Service Funds For Fiscal Year 2003/04 Subject To A Second Public Hearing Scheduled On Thursday, September 18, 2003 At 5:01 P.M. **5:01 P.M. First Reading, Public Hearing.**

(Finance Department)

ACTION: Title of the Resolution read into the record. Item heard in conjunction with item R7A1. Public Hearing held. Resolution No. 2003-25312 adopted on First Reading subject to adding the Office Associate V position responsible for the processing of Proclamations and the following issues referred to the Finance and Citywide Project Committee: the homeless issue: keep status quo with the lifeguards and review the salary information submitted to Commissioner Garcia. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Commissioner Smith; Voice vote: 7-0. Second Reading and second Public Hearing scheduled for September 18, 2003. Jose Cruz to notice. Liliam Hatfield to place on the Commission Agenda. **Patricia Walker to handle and place on the Committee agenda.**

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that there is a slight modification to the budget submitted on July 30, which amends a recommendation given new information, and there is a PowerPoint presentation that summarizes the budget similar to the one given on July 30. He stated that the Administration tries to balance the budget based on the constraints, resources given, and by following the policy direction given by the City Commission and allocate the resources accordingly. He understands that public safety is paramount and important to the community and to the City Commission. The recent Blue Ribbon Committee gave the City a lot of input about the Parks Department and opportunities to make some changes. One of the issues was providing better security in our parks, not just by police but by Park Rangers in the park. The July 30 purposed budget called for the repositioning of the lifeguard stands in the North Beach area, predominately in the North Shore Open Space area. What was being proposed was to take the costs associated with the two lifeguard stands and reallocate the money to the Parks Department to fully fund the cost of programming in some of the facilities coming online; the North Shore Youth Center, Normandy Park and Pool, the expanded Scott Rakow Youth Center, the cost for the Flamingo Pool, and the Park Ranger program. The

recommendation is to reposition one of the two lifeguard stands, which were to be in the north end, to the Middle Beach area. The other element that the Administration thinks can be held off and allow the Administration to go through the collective bargaining process is the additional savings through the scheduling of the lifeguards. For nine months the lifeguards work four (4) day, ten (10) hour work week. Part of the proposal is to switch that to a five (5) day, eight (8) hour work week. This is a change from the July 30 proposal. It addresses a growing area where the Administration believes it can use a lifeguard stand and add coverage to the beach and at the same time it allows the Administration to defer a discussion on the hours to the collective bargaining table.

David Kelsey, South Beach Hotel and Restaurant Association, spoke.

Bruce Singer, President of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, spoke regarding the Miami Beach Visitors Center.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that the City is proud to have the Visitors Center. He explained that in order to balance the budget he had to review all city departments and determine where the City could save some money. The Visitors Center is doing a great job, however, the resources are limited and the Administration tries to be as equitable as possible to all of the agencies. **Patricia Walker to provide an itemized breakdown of the "other" category, \$121,600, in Resort Tax Fund Budget.**

Dona Zemo, Miami Beach Chamber Of Commerce – Visitors Center, spoke.

Deborah Ruggiero spoke.

Deede Weithorn, Chairperson, Budget Advisory Committee, read a statement into the record. She also stated that in the future the Committee will be looking at the underlying costs which drive the City's budget.

Bea Kalstein spoke.

Bruce Singer, Co-Chair of the Florida Sister Cities Program, spoke regarding the Sister Cities program.

Mayor Dermer asked about the status of the 501C3. He stated that the City's Legal Department was going to investigate. He also stated that he would be supportive of requesting Mr. Bill Talbert, President and CEO, Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau, to give \$5,000 to the Visitors Center.

Bruce Singer stated that the Visitors Center receives \$20,000 from the Tourist Development Council of Miami-Dade County, \$25,000 from the VCA, \$25,000 from the City in the past, and the next cost to the Chamber of Commerce is over \$60,000.

Milton Montalvo requested to clean up the North Beach Park because citizens have found drug paraphernalia.

Commissioner Smith stated that on Page 28 there is a reference to the Convention Development Tax and it states that the City will receive \$4.5 million of which \$1.8 million is going to the General Fund and asked where is the rest of the money going?

Patricia Walker, Chief Financial Officer, responded that the balance of the money is going to the Convention Center.

Commissioner Smith asked if those funds are eligible for other uses beyond the Convention Center, such as the Visitors Center.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that the funds are restricted to Convention Center Development related usage and he would have to research the Florida Statute to be able to give a definitive answer as to whether the funds are eligible for the Visitors Center. **Patricia Walker to handle.**

Tim McKee, Lifeguard II, spoke.

Joe Mc Manus, Lifeguard I, President of the Miami Beach Chapter of the United States Lifeguard Association (USLA), showed a video clip and gave a PowerPoint presentation.

He stated that the USLA recommends the following and urged that they be adopted:

- 1) Restructure Beach Patrol into an Ocean Rescue/Beach Safety Department with the same status as police and fire.
- 2) Place ten (10) new lifeguard towers on the beach, now , so that there will be an enhanced degree of overlapping surveillance and back up throughout the beach.
- 3) Staff the new towers with adequate lifeguard personnel to facilitate an operational plan.
- 4) Provide enough staffing for contingencies.
- 5) Establish a system of accountability through oversight.
- 6) Establish a long-term plan for total beach coverage.
- 7) Develop and implement an emergency action plan that will address all of these contingencies.
- 8) Adopt the USLA Beach Certification program.

Richard McKinnon, CWA Local 3178 President, spoke.

Marcia Steinberg-Meyer, victim saved by the lifeguards, spoke.

Commissioner Cruz, Mayor Dermer, and Commissioner Garcia spoke about the importance of the Beach Patrol; and that the beaches are the City's number one industry. He also stated this is one instance where the City has the mandate to sit with the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau and tell them that the City needs additional funds. He stated that in this issue he is willing to speak to Mr. Talbert about the needs of public safety. He is willing to fight for it with the Commission's permission.

Commissioner Garcia stated that he and Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, sit on the Executive Board of the Bureau, and they would be happy to take the message to the Bureau.

Commissioner Gross stated that Miami-Dade County is another good resource for getting additional money. He also stated that the best way to allocate the resources should be at the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee. He wants to see where the coverage is lacking, where lives have been saved, and how lifeguards are deployed. **Kevin Smith to handle.**

Richard McKinnon stated that the City of Ft. Lauderdale and Miami-Dade County are restructuring the Beach Patrol into the Fire Department. He also outlined the Beach Patrol's future plan.

Richard McKinnon, talked about the issue of grounding all lifeguard towers. **Kevin Smith and Brad Judd to handle.**

Lawrence Jessup, Economic Consultant for CWA, spoke.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager explained that he understands the sentiment and direction of the City Commission which is to avoid reducing the two lifeguards. He stated that he has already avoided one reduction by repositioning a lifeguard tower to 42 Street. The City Commission is now asking to avoid reducing the second position, and he will try to do that. He explained that the shift to the work schedule can be worked out through the collective bargaining process and that will allow for efficiency and at the same time maintaining the same level of service. He understands that there are other ways to accomplish this and he will discuss them.

Mayor Dermer stated that there is a clear sentiment of the Commission that there should be no cuts to the lifeguards. There is also a sentiment for future expansion. He asked Mr. Jessup to make his full presentation to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee.

Lawrence Jessup continued his presentation.

Motion made by Commissioner Gross to send this issue to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee for discussion; seconded by Commissioner Bower; Voice vote: 7-0. **Patricia Walker to handle and place on the agenda.**

Commissioner Gross asked why the lifeguard's stations have not been grounded since this is a miniscule expense. He finds this totally unacceptable.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated he is unaware of the reasons for it.

Kevin Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation, stated that there are pros and cons with grounding the towers. Will it ground the towers, yes it will. But there are other issues. There is disagreement between the experts as to whether it will work or not. It has been discussed and he was told by Risk Management and other experts that there are pros and cons to the grounding issue.

Mayor Dermer requested an LTC on this matter. **Kevin Smith to handle.**

Commissioner Gross requested that representatives of the lifeguards meet with the Administration prior to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee. **Kevin Smith to handle.** He also requested a plan for not only keeping the status quo for this year but look at increasing the service. If it can't be done this year, develop a plan to increase in future years.

Commissioner Garcia requested the Administration look into a reorganization of the Beach Patrol.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that he would analyze and present the analysis.

Commissioner Steinberg stated that the City needs to go to Miami-Dade County for help with funding, since the City of Miami Beach is a revenue generator, not only for Miami-Dade County, but for the entire state. It doesn't look good for the County or the State to have unprotected beaches.

Frank Resnoff spoke.

Mayor Dermer respectfully requested that the person that handles the proclamations should be retained due to the number of years and the amount of work she does. He requested to his colleagues that this position be retained in the FY 03/04 budget.

Vice-Mayor Bower and Commissioners Garcia and Smith had no objections to this request.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that there will be a referral to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee on the September 10 Commission Agenda regarding community policing. Last year, when the City and County were discussing community policing, the County requested that service be enhanced policing or policing above and beyond what existed, and that the RDA membership be expanded to include several County Commissioners. The City and the County worked through those issues. Since that time the County has made several other requests. He explained that Miami-Dade County has requested the following conditions: 1) the 1/2 mill increase passed in November of 2002 for the Children's Trust be exempted from the City Center and the South Pointe RDAs. The second condition is related to the RDA budget and requests the City to impose a 1.5% administrative fee of the assessed value of the property in the RDAs to go back to Miami-Dade County. The City is also waiting for the Miami-Dade County's approval of the community policing issue. There was an LTC sent on this.

Commissioner Gross asked if would be possible to expand the discussion with the County for lifeguards to be funded by the RDA.

Mayor Dermer requested to include this issue on the agenda of the City's State lobbyists. **Kevin Crowder to handle.**

Commissioner Gross added that he is very troubled by the homeless in the City, and asked if the City is doing enough on the homeless problem.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, explained that for the immediate term both the Police Department and Neighborhood Services have recently requested to add additional current year money to buy additional beds for this fiscal year.

Vivian Guzman, Director of Neighborhood Services Department, stated that the existing contract is a combination of LETF, Resort Tax, and CDBG funds for a total of approximately \$150,000 to \$160,000. The contract with the Salvation Army gives the City approximately 27 beds, which is a combination of both emergency and transitional beds. It is anticipated that next fiscal year there will be approximately 30-40 beds.

Commissioner Cruz stated that the homeless issue is the second most important issue (after light rail) in the City and a catastrophic situation to the tourism, and the City should seriously look at the reserve fund and attack it. This is the most important tourist related issue that needs to be taken care of. If the solution is building a shelter across the bay then that is what should be done. The homeless situation at the Triton Tower and the boardwalk is unbearable. He stated that because the homeless issue is a catastrophic problem, the City should consider using its reserve fund to attack the problem. This is an important tourist related issue.

Commissioner Smith stated that the issue with the Triton Towers and the boardwalk is intolerable. The problem is not necessarily a homeless issue. There are people there who are criminals. These people prey on the residents and the tourists.

Commissioner Gross stated that at a previous meeting there was discussion regarding what to do with the other half penny of Resort Tax. One-half cent is to the Convention Center Hotel and the other half-cent is for quality-of-life money. The City should dedicate a part of the quality-of-life money to address some of the homeless problems. He added in regards to the budget process, that the budget meetings in July are not helpful.

Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager, stated that if the meetings in July, to review budget issues, are not helpful, the process needs to be changed. He stated that the process needs to be the Commissions process and it needs to work for the Commission. He explained that the Commission should be giving the Administration the policy direction and priority and let the Administration go do it. This is what should be happening in March. The Administration will work through the issues discussed today as concerns and report at the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee. He stated that he would love to have this type of conversation in March at the start of the budget process. He stated that it gives the Administration more guidance.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald
2. Booklet titled "CWA Local 3178 – Review and Analysis of the Proposed FY 04 Beach Patrol Budget", prepared by Lawrence E. Jessup, Jr., dated September 4, 2003
3. Email from Bruce Singer, dated September 3, 2003, RE: Tourism is our Number One Industry / Budget Cuts
4. Email from Marcelle & Richard May, owners of Giant Motors Auto Paint & Body, dated August 31, 2003, RE: Visitors Center

5. Email from Bruce Singer, date September 1, 2003, RE: Miami Beach Sister City Council, 2003-04 Funding
6. Email from Ira Giller, dated September 2, 2003, RE: Visitor's Center
7. Email from Jeffrey Kaplan, The Welcome Publishing Company, dated January 3, 2003, RE: Visitors Center.
8. Letter from Florida House of Representative Dan Gelber, dated September 2, 2003, RE: Visitors Center
9. Email from Michael Faircloth, Island Hop Inc., dated September 3, 2003, RE: Visitors Center
10. Document submitted by Joseph McManus, titled: "Statement of Joseph McManus, City of Miami Beach, Commission Meeting – September 4, 2003"
11. Email from Luis R. Garcia, Jr., Miami Beach City Commissioner, dated September 4, 2003, RE: Salaries
12. Email from Bruce Singer, dated September 3, 2003, RE: MBCC – Real Estate Request August 15 to August 31, 2003
13. Email from Lisa Treister and Richard Murry, dated September 2, 2003, RE: Visitors Center
14. Email from Martin Cohen, Sales & Marketing Director, Casino Princessa, dated September 2, 2003, RE: Visitors Center
15. Email from Orlando Valazquez, Holiday Inn South Beach Resort, dated September 2, 2003, RE: Visitors Center
16. Letter from Dona Zemo, Director, Miami Beach Visitors Center, dated August 30, 2003, RE: Visitors Center

R7B1 A Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of The Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District Adopting The Tentative Ad Valorem Millage Of 1.123 Mills For Fiscal Year 2003/04 For The Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District, Which Is Four And Six Tenths Percent (4.6%) Greater Than The "Rolled-Back" Rate Of 1.074 Mills, Subject To A Second Public Hearing Scheduled On Thursday, September 18, 2003, At 5:02 P.M.

5:02 P.M. First Reading, Public Hearing.

(Finance Department)

ACTION: Title of the Resolution read into the record. Public Hearing held. Resolution No. 2003-25313 adopted on First Reading. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Vice-Mayor Bower; Voice vote: 7-0. Second Reading and second Public Hearing scheduled for September 18, 2003. Jose Cruz to notice. Liliam Hatfield to place on the Commission Agenda.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald

R7B2 A Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of The Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District Adopting The Tentative Operating Budget For Fiscal Year 2003/04 Subject To A Second Public Hearing Scheduled On Thursday, September 18, 2003 At 5:02 P.M.

5:02 P.M. First Reading, Public Hearing.

(Finance Department)

ACTION: Title of the Resolution read into the record. Public Hearing held. Resolution No. 2003-25314 adopted on First Reading. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Vice-Mayor Bower; Voice vote: 7-0. Second Reading and second Public Hearing scheduled for September 18, 2003. Jose Cruz to notice. Liliam Hatfield to place on the Commission Agenda.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald

- R7C1 A Resolution Calling For A Special Election To Be Held On Tuesday, November 4, 2003, For The Purpose Of Submitting To The Electorate Of The City Of Miami Beach A Question Asking Whether Article IX Of The City's Related Special Acts Regarding The City's Pension Fund For City Firefighters And Police Officers Should Be Amended To Allow Such Pension Fund Members To Designate A Beneficiary To Receive Optional Survivor Benefits, And To Provide A Lifetime Benefit For Members With A Minimum Ten Year Pay ment Period As The Normal Form Of Benefit?

(Human Resources)

ACTION: Resolution No. 2003-25315 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Vice-Mayor Bower; Voice vote: 7-0. Robert Parcher to handle.

Handout or reference materials:

1. Notice of Ad in Miami Herald

- R7C2 A Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 2003-25296, Calling For November 4, 2003 Special Election For Purpose Of Submitting To The Electorate Of The City Of Miami Beach A Question Amending City Of Miami Beach Pension Fund For Firefighters And Police Officers Regarding Designation Of Beneficiary And Normal Form Of Benefit.

(Human Resources)

ACTION: Resolution No. 2003-25316 adopted. Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg; seconded by Vice-Mayor Bower; Voice vote: 7-0. Robert Parcher to handle.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30:57 p.m.

End of Regular Agenda